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GEN. ARTHUR AS AN ABOLITIONIST.

In the famous Lemmon case which occured in New York in 1852, Messrs. Wm. M. Evrats and CHESTER A. ARTHUR were employed to represent the people in testing the validity of the fugative slave law in the State of New York. The facts in the case are these: Jonathan and Julia Lemmon were slaveholders from Virginia, who came to New York with eight slaves to wait for a steamer to take them on their destination, which was Texas. Judge Payne issued a writ of *habeas corpus* and thus the case was brought up, and he then decided that they were no longer slaves and ordered them liberated. The utmost consternation and rage were shown in the South, and there are yet many living who can remember the circumstances. Chester A. Arthur in his pleading lost himself entirely in his subject and his eloquence was such, he seemed inspired, "What," said he in an impassioned burst of eloquence which magnetized his audience, "shall this great State of New York in which were enacted scenes long ago that showed the spirit of true liberty rested here, allow this insult to its dighity; shall these poor people not see that somewhere in this broad land, misnamed the land of the free, they have the right to their liberty." The case was won and it then went to the Supreme Court of the United States. Charles O'Conner, the great democratic lawyer of New York City, argued the case there for the slaveholders, but he like Henry L. Clinton before the State court was beaten by Messrs. Arthur and Evarts.

In 1856 in New York City a respectable colored lady was put off a Fourth Avenue car after she had paid her fare. Gen. Arthur sued the company for damages for her and got a verdict for five hundred dollars. The day after the verdict the company issued an order to allow colored persons to ride on their cars, and the other car companies followed the example. Before that the Sixth Avenue company had a few special cars for colored people, but the other lines refused to let them ride at all. It must be borne in mind that those times were different from now, the sentiment of the people of New York and the whole country were much more opposed to the conceding of rights to the colored man than they are now—and the white man who had the hardihood to espouse his cause, did it at the risk of making himself obnoxous to his associates. True, there had commenced a growing feeling of interest in the colored man's welfare, but except in some of the New England States, notably Massachusetts,—"the cradle of freedom,"—they were spasmodic, and few there were who cared to make themselves conspicuous as advocates of the rights of the colored man.—*New Era.*

NIGHT BRINGS OUT THE STARS.

AN ESSAY READ BY MISS MARY CHAMP AT THE HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT JUNE 10, 1880.

Ye golden lamps of heaven, welcome
With all your feeble light.
Welcome thou ever changing stars,
Pale rulers of the night.

How welcome the quiet night after the busy turmoil of the day; the wearied body worn, well nigh exhausted, seeks repose when the day's work is done! How grateful are the shades of evening, how refreshing the holy hush of night. We talk of the glorious sun, of his proud splendor as day after day he hastens on his heaven-ward course, and well may we exult in his undimmed brightness and dazzling light, without his presence our earth would be a dark dreary void, a barren waste shrouded in everlasting darkness, and yet the very light would lose its secret spell if we no night could find.

Go out on a still clear night and look upon the beauty of the vaulted skies, how far, far away seem the wondrous orbs of light, suns, worlds, satellites, centres of systems some may be and yet at their appointed time they take their places in the blue canopy of heaven. Truly night brings out the stars.

In the ever varying course of human life, light and shade go hand in hand. A smooth sea never made a skillful mariner. He whose pathway lies only where roses grow is not best qualified for usefulness and happiness. The rough and strong roads must train the body to discipline; the mind, to self-sacrifice, and the pure gold tried, refined by the firery heat is freed from all its dross and impurities. As we never see the stars until we lose sight of the brightness of the day; so adversity shows us truths when we can see little or nought else.

The martyrs of olden times by bracing their minds to outward calamity, acquainted a loftiness of purpose, a moral heroism, worth a whole existence of softness and security.

Milton stricken, afflicted by a winter of sorrow in his old age, still finds comfort and hope to cheer him in his darkest hours. The harp of life held in his wires the possibilities of noblest chords, for we hear him sing·

Thus with the year,
Seasons return, but not to me returns
Day, or the sweet approach of eve or morn
Or sight of vernal bloom, or Summer's rose,
Or flocks, or herds, or human face divine,
But clouds instead and ever during dark
Surrounds me, from the cheerful ways of men
Cut off and for the book of knowledge fair
Presented with a universal blank
Of Nature's works, to me expunged and raised,
And wisdom at one entrance quite shut out.
So much the rather then celestial light
Irradite; their plant eyes, almost thence from
Purge and disperse that I may see and tell
Of things invisible to mortal sight.

We often talk of our hard fortune, and sigh for that which is not ours. Perhaps we might become more reconciled to what we consider our misfortune, if we compare ourselves with the many who want what we possess, rather than the few who possess what we desire, the old adage, "It is better to laugh than cry," finds many proofs in actual life. People seldom care for a person who dwells ever amid an atmosphere of sighs and gloom; the world is not all a vale of tears. Look for the sunlight and when shadows gather, look and see if the stars do not also appear. In our own lives short, though they may be, there is much to encourage, to help us on to higher and better things.

Not so many years ago, the night of slavery hung heavy and dark, like a pall over this land; but out of the desolation, the dreadful carnage of war, the nation came purged of her deepest, darkest sin; and from the awful shadow of the grave, the star of freedom rose pure and triumphant. To-day millions rejoice in its radiant light, to-day schools and churches are springing up all over the land, We note the change and hope for still better days. In the galaxy of stars no name shines out clearer and brighter than that of Summer.

This building stands to-day a mounment to his name and greatness, and though the star of his earthly life has gone down below the horizon of human vision, yet his name and his virtues still live. Let us cheerful acknowledge the best of all logic, to make the best of all things which may fall to our lot, knowing that it matters most whether our minds go out and reach after, the higher good. Thus many losses and disappointments may lose their sharpest thorns, and our journey through life may be comparatively pleasant and happy. God knows what keys in the human soul to touch, in order to draw out its sweetest and most perfect harmony and so he knows too, just when and how to send the darkness, for the "Night brings out the Stars."

SNAKES AS LIFE DESTROYERS.

The loss of life in India due to the ravages of venemous snakes is almost incredible. Yet the disease which is as wily and deadly as the deadliest India reptile, is winding its coil around thousands of people while the victims are unconscious of its presence. It has long been a hobby with incompetent physicians to assume that consumption is incurable after the formation of tubercles has begun; and in every case they fail to effect a cure—of course tubercles had begun to form and they were incurable. The records of medical science disprove any such theory. On the contrary, in cases of lung disease which had been cured and the patients lived forty and fifty years in robust health, post-mortem examinations showed large cicatrices (scars) where the tubercles had been formed and removed. The tubercles are removed by absorption into the blood. An efficient alterative, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, must be used to cleanse the blood of the scrofulous impurities. For tubercular consumption is only a form of scrofulous disease. Golden Medical Discovery is a sovereign remedy for all forms of scrofulous disease, or king's-evil, such as tumors, white swellings, fever sores, scrofulous sore eyes, as well as for other blood and skin disease.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE.

Lippincott's Magazine for July contains two illustrated articles of a light and entertaining character—"The Palace of the Leatherstonepaughs," which is a humorous sketch of artist life in Rome, and "Paradise Plantation," which is a description in a similar vein of amateur farming in Florida. Dr. S. Weir Mitchell concludes the interesting account of his tour "Through the Yellowstone Park," and some peculiar phases of Western life are described by Louis Coffin Jones in a paper entitled 'On the Skunk River.' "A Forgotten American Worthy," by Charles Burr Todd, recounts the remarkable career of Joel Barlow, whose name is known to most readers as that of the author of epic poems long since buried in oblivion, but whose philanthropic character and patriotic services entitle him to a higher place in there. collection of his countrymen "On Spelling Reform" presents some strong arguments against the proposed changes in English orthography. "An Open Look at the Political Situation" criticises the course of the "Independents,' and discusses the chances of Civil Service Reform. "Pipistrello," by "Ouida," is a picturesque and powerfully written story of Italian life. "Adam and Eve" and "Studies in the Slums" are continued. The poetry is by Emma Lazarus, J. B. Tabb, and H. L. Lonard, and the "Monthly Gossip" and "Literature of the Day" are as good and varied as usual. This number begins the twenty-sixth volume.

The following essay was composd and read at the commencement exercises of the High School, June 10, 1880, by Miss Julia W. Mason, of the graduating class.

BE FAITHFUL.

To every human being is committed certain trusts. Some of these are common to all, others differ in their nature in different individuals. But whether one talent or two, or *ten* be given into our keeping, we are to exercise a degree of fealty commensurate with the sacredness and importance of such trusts, that "at the master's coming he may receive his own with usury."

To be faithful in the true sense of the word, it is necessary that we should be constantly watchful, and every wise precaution is to be used to guard against the temptation to relax our vigilance.

It frequently happens that we place so high an estimate, or so comfortable a reliance upon our own abilities, as to feel that we are fully equal to any emergency that may arise, and hence, become presumptuous and indifferent; and it is not until we begin to reap the *reward* of our negligence, that we perceive our mistake.

Faithfulness to small trusts requires an unlimited amount of watchfulness. As everything in nature is made up of *little things*, and all contribute toward the great *whole*, so our little trusts, faithfully kept, go toward the making of great men and women. For, "he that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much."

When we are regardless of the laws of health, and daily and hourly so infringe upon them as to cause the development of disease and lead to premature death, *we* are faithless to one of the most important trusts that has been placed in our keeping by our Creator, and this lack of faithfulness on our part tends to retard our progress in other directions; for Health is the soul that animates all enjoyments of life, which fade and are tasteless, if not dead without it. "Intellect in an enfeebled body,' says one, "is like gold in a spent swimmer's pocket, it only makes him sink the sooner." Therefore, we should use every effort to preserve this inestimable boon, that we may promote the welfare of others as well as our own. The failure to improve the faculties of the mind, that great distinguishing characteristic between man and the brute creation, is to violate a trust that is second to no other in importance. Shakespeare says of an uncultured mind, "'Tis an unweeded garden that grows to seed; things rank and gross in nature possess it merely." And another writer says, "As the soil, however rich it may be, cannot be productive without culture, so the mind *without cultivation* can never produce good fruit.

When we can fully realize the sublime truth that the infinite love of God induced him to send his Son to die for us, we can then appreciate the command "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

With such an exemplification of faithfulness, the custodians of such a trust should not find it aught but a pleasant task "to do unto others as we would they should do unto us."

"Thyself and thy belongings are not thine own so proper as to waste thyself upon thy virtues, they on thee. Heaven doth with *us* as *we* with torches do not light them for themselves; for if our virtues did not go forth of us, 'twere all alike as if we had them not."

Were this principle strictly carried out in the lives of mankind, one's ears would never be assailed by the wails of the widow and orphan, because of the betrayal of trusts placed in those who were deemed worthy of them; but who have, in their love of self, forgotten the wise command, and blinded by the god of this world, have gone far astray, leaving desolation and ruin in their tracks.

Surely the time will come when God will require at the hands of such a strict account of their stewardship. Nor will the "interrogation," "Am I my brother's keeper?" avail *then*, no matter how often conscience may have been stifled by it. Parents are the recipients of a trust that is almost incomprehensible in its vastness; and yet how few comparatively seem to be fully alive to the grave responsibilities which this relation involves.

A writer says, "No photographic plate takes impressions so readily, or retains so surely, as does every word and every action of a parent indubitably engrave themselves upon their children, contributing to make up their characters, which will unfold themselves in after years, either to the credit or discredit of the parent. Let *us*, therefore, endeavor "to do with our might what our hands find to do," taking for our motto, "Faithfulness to our Trusts." Then distress may overwhelm, but cannot disturb the mental tranquility arising from a consciousness of our faithfulness. A glorious reward is promised by our Heavenly Father to the faithful. He shall, at the last, receive the commendation, "Well done thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Some people having no knowledge of newspaper business, imagine that the size determines its worth. They do not know that in the majority of papers published by colored men, that the colored men only publish one side, the other side being made up by white men to spread their advertisements. Of course it's cheaper and a larger paper is published and edited entirely by colored men. This we give as a matter of news, and we warn any who attack us, that, as in the past, he will get better than he sends.—*Our Age.*

J. W. Cromwell of the *People's Advocate*, Washington, D. C., stood next to Governor Pinchback in point of prominence among the editors present. A graduate of Howard University Law School, he is well fitted for the position. He holds the next highest position among colored men in the civil service. His paper is one of the very best and wields great influence in the District of Columbia. Mr. Cromwell is also of modest demeanor. He is a thoughtful and interesting talker, fine debater and a very strong writer. He was greatly admired in social circles and will always find a hearty welcome in the Garden City.—*Freeman's Journal.*

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FOR PRESIDENT,
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of New York.

The people of Raleigh have paid a proper tribute to the memory of the Otey brothers.

That was a happy idea of the Indiana Democracy to have the recent amendments declared unconstitutional. It happened just at the right time.

What one of the trustees of the schools is it, who, in an address to pupils in an eighth grade school, congratulated them because they were *deficient* in their lessons, and who expressed the hope that next year he could also congratulate them on their *deficiency*?

R. P. Brooks has returned to the editorship of the Virginia *Star*. We congratulate the *Star* on his return. Mr. Brooks, since his retirement from the *Star*, has been a regular correspondent of the *Southern Intelligencer*.

We see General W. C. Wickham of Virginia, comes to the defence of J. W. Woltz, the latter gentleman having been charged with duplicity and treachery to Secrotary Sherman's interests at Chicago. General Wickham is a good man, a genuine Republican; but he cannot make Mr. Woltz's course consistent with his previour professions and declared intentions. While thy are about it, what about that gold watch and chain which Mr. W. brought with him from Chicago?

We are pleased to note the fact that the National Press Association, an organization of colored men, will assemble in the city of Louisville, *Ky.*, on the 29th day of August. We sincerely trust that the committee of arrangements will request a number of talented journals to prepare papers on various subjects to be read before the Association—have a regular programme prepared. What say you Bro. Cromwell?—*Advance.*

Messrs. Adams, Fitzbutler and Horn will in all probability attend to that Bro. Scott.

We call the attention of our readers to the notice of the Art Exhibition to be held at Philadelphia next fall. Washington certainly should, and doubtless will be, well represented. We are confident that our city can nobly sustain herself. Now let such young men as Jacob Strather and ladies like Misses Ada C. Hand and Ella Lee bestir themselves. "Blackibus," look out for Richmond, Va.!

Our thanks are tendered Senator B. K. Bruce for a report of the Senate Committee on the Freedmen's Bank—also to "A. Sally Hopkins," of New York, for a report of a decision of a U. S. Judge on the application of a colored man for the admission of his children to a white school.

We call the attention of the American people to these facts:

First, Professor Michie who pronounces Cadet Whittaker deficient, is the same one who put in a plea for West Point in the *North American Review*; second, Mr. Whittaker was not examined on the day when the bulk of the visitors was present, but the next day when large crowds had left for their homes; third, he passed his examination creditably in chemistry, drawing and military tactics; fourth, his deficiency in philosophy referred not to his standing during the term, but in the special public examination.

Let the entire colored press second the motion of Professor R. T. Greener to urge upon President Hayes to appoint cadet Whittaker to a 2nd lieutenancy in the army. Let petitions signed by the best men in their respective communities be sent at once to the address of Mr. Greener.

HANCOCK AND ENGLISH.

The nomination by the Democracy of that valiant Union soldier, Gen. W. S. Hancock, is one of the very best nominations made by them since the war. They have made him their standard bearer at the dictation of the Southern wing of their party, because they believed he would not only poll the full strength of the party, but gain the soldier vote in Connecticut, New Jersy and Pennsylvania. They say to the country, see what nonsense, what twaddle about the rule of the Confederate Brigadiers! But having nominated him against whom there is no taint of disloyalty, they give the second place on the ticket to Hon. W. H. English, of Indiana, copperhead, and reputed member of the Knights of the Golden Circle. While Hancock was at the front leading our armies on to victory, English was keeping up the fire in the rear by discouraging enlistments and organizing apposition to the National Cause.

As the New York *Herald* aptly says, the Democratic party contrives "to do the right thing at the wrong time." After having for years denounced the Republican policy of nominating and electing soldiers to office, it brings to the front a citizen whose only recommendation to popular favor is his brilliant military achievements and his partizan bias during reconstruction. Pretending to put a premium on loyalty, it nominates a candidate whose treasonable actions, had they met their deserts, would have consigned him within Fort Lafayette or made him fit companion for Vallandigham. Surely modern Democracy is slow to learn the temper of the American people. With the South against her, the Republican party has a strong opposition to encounter; but the "people fear the Greeks even bearing gifts," and Democracy will meet its Waterloo on the ides of November.

PERSONAL.

Prof. Inman E. Page, who has just been elected Principal of Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo., while East will engage a full corps of colored teachers. This institution is under the patronage of the State, which looks as zealously after its financial interests as after those of the white academical institutions of the State.

Rev. T. McCants Stewart has been appointed to the charge of a church in the city of New York.

The effort of William E. Matthews at Wilberforce received the high compliment of an approval from the faculty, a vote of thanks from the students, the distinguished visitors present and the public generally.

Hon. J. H. Smyth. U. S. Minister resident near the Court of the Republic of Liberia, arrived here last Saturday to the delight of his many friends. Minister Smyth is the picture of health, and wears his honors well. During his stay in Africa, Mr. S. visited many points of interest on the coast and in the interior, and is prepared from personal knowledge to give more accurate information than found in the conventional book of Travels in West Africa.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Payne lies painfully ill at the residence of Rev. J. W. Steyenson of Union Bethel church. Dr. Pope is attending him.

A profuse and many times excessively offensive discharge from the nose, with "stopping up" of the nose at times, impairment of the sense of smell and taste, watering or weak eyes, impaired hearing, irregular appetite, pressure and pain over the eyes, and at times in the back of the head, cold feet, and a feeling of lassitude and debility are symptoms which are common to catarrh, yet all of them are not present in every case. Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy cures catarrh in its worst form and stages. It is pleasant to use and contains no poisonous or caustic drugs. So sure a cure is it, that its former proprietor offered for years in all the principal newspapers of the land a standing reward of $500 for a case it would not cure. Sold by druggists at 50 cents.

AT WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

The commencement exercises at Wilberforce, the University of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, three miles distant from this town, attracted many visitors and evoked much interest. The baccalaureate sermon was preached in the chapel on Sunday morning last by the president, the Rev. B. F. Lee, and the annual sermon in the evening by the Rev. T. G. Steward, of the Philadelphia Conference. The annual address before the college societies was delivered on Tuesday evening by William E. Matthews, of Washington, D. C., upon the subject "Young Manhood: its relation to a worthy future," and was a very instructive production.

Thursday was Commencement day. The exercises were held on the campus, and were largely attended. On the platform were Bishop Payne, the venerable head of the African Church, Bishops Campbell and Shorter, the Rev. Dr. Hayward, of Louisville, Ky., Professor Weston, and others of the Faculty of Antioch College, seven miles distant, and other well-known gentlemen, and several ladies. Five students were graduated; three from the theological department and two from the scientific department. The institution is doing an excellent work among the colored people, and the extraordinary thing about it is that the institution has been built up and sustained by the colored people. The Faculty of ten members, with the exception of two, are colored men. The buildings and ground are paid for; but an endowment is needed.—*New York Tribune.*

TO THE COLORED PEOPLE.

West Point has at last completed the last act in the conspiracy against Cadet Johnson C. Whittaker. Fearing the Secretary of War would override their partizan, unjust and flagrantly prejudiced report, they have descended to covert methods and found Cadet Whittaker deficient in Philosophy, so as to recommend his dismissal from the Military Academy before their report could be examined.

The colored taxpayers and voters ought to be heard throughout the country denouncing the farce of a trial accorded to the colored cadet, and demanding from the President of the United States that a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the regular army be issued to cadet Whittaker.

Let every colored man in the country consider this addressed to him personaly. Petitions containing only influential names, republican or democratic, should be sent to the undersigned for transmittal to the President of the United States.

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AN ART EXHIBITION.

To the People's Advocate.

DEAR SIR:—There will be held in this city next October an art exhibition, and we would respectfully ask your co-operation to insure its success. The exhibition is to consist of any kinds of art done by our people—such as oil paintings, water colors, crayon and lead-pencil drawings, etchings, designs, models, sculpture, wax and hair, and worsted working, and all kinds of art needle work. A great many exhibits are promised from Philadelphia, but we would also like to have them sent from Washington, Baltimore, New York, and from any other place.

The exhibits are to be sent and will be returned at the exhibitor's own expense, the Receiving Committee being otherwise responsible for them; and the exhibits, too, are to be sent to either of the Receiving Committee, the Rev. L. L. Phillips or Mr. Levi Cromwell, and addressed to the Workingmen's Club Rooms, 424 South 11th-street.

Some of the exhibits will be for sale, and those exhibitors wishing their works sold will please send us their price. All communications respecting information etc., should be addressed to Mr. William Dorsey, Mayor's Office, Philadelphia, or to any of the following Committee at the Rooms:

Chairman, T. J. Hebron,
David A. Price,
Henry L. Crawford,
William Adger.

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IN MEMORIAM.

Miss Rachel Armstead, youngest daughter of John and Martha A. Armstead, of Philadelphia, Pa., sister to W. H. F. Armstead, Principal of the Camden, N. J. Colored Schools, and niece to the proprietor of the PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE, after an illness of four and a half months, departed this life, Thursday evening, 17th inst.

Rachel was a young lady of unexceptionable sweetness of character and intellectual precocity, an obedient daughter, a faithful pupil and a consistent Christian.

Barely eleven months had elapsed since her sister, Miss Martha A., had crossed the dark river, following somewhat closely upon Miss Margaret Elizabeth, the eldest daughter, who died in 1876. Two sisters only remain: Roxcelena, who has been teaching at Swedesboro, N. J., and Emily M., now a teacher at Georgetown in this district.

The deceased was a member of the Institute for Colored Youth, Miss Fannie M. Jackson, principal. Such bereavement must deeply touch the heart of the parents and kindred who have seen grow from infancy to early womanhood such fine specimens of the Christian graces, to so soon fade away. In this, the latest touch of the divine power, the sympathy of the public will be freely extended to the relatives, with the comforting assurance that the Hand which smites tenders also the Balm of Gilead that assuages the bitterest grief.

—The building association of Union Bethel meets every Wednesday evening at 7:45 o'clock at which reports from all books and cards are received and all subscriptions taken. The choir furnishes the music.

—A similar association in the Sabbath School meets every Sunday afternoon at o'clock.

—Rev. H. B. Jacobus one of the wealthiest gentlemen of New Jersey and Mr. Parnell, both citizens of Trenton N. J, surprised Rev. Stevenson by a visit to his congregation last Sabbath.

Religious.

Tuesday evening Rt, Rev. W. F. Dickerson preached an ordination sermon after which Rev. W. F. Combash recent graduate of Wilberforce University was ordained to the office of elder and appointed to Norristown, Pa. Bishop Brown performed the ordination assisted by Revs. Stevenson, Embry and another divine whose name we did not learn.

—The Financial Board of the A. M. E. church met at Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, June 23rd, at 10 o,clock a. m. It is composed as follows: 1st. Dis't., Wm. C. Banton, 2nd, Rev. Jas. A. Handy, 3ad, Rev. B. W. Arnett, 4th, Rev. J. M. Wilkerson; 5th, Rev. G. H. Shaffer; 6th, Rev. W. J. Gains; 7th, Jos. E. Lee; 8th, J. Montgomery and 9th, W. R. Carson. All the bishops met with the board.

Evansville, Indiana,
June 5, 1880.

At a Conference of Colored Journalists held in Chicago, June 3d; and after a full expression of views, it was decided to call a convention of the Colored Publishers, Editors and their regularly accredited correspondents, to be held in Louisville, Ky., on the last Wednesday in August, 1880, in order to form a Press Association, and to take such further steps as shall be found necessary to promote their Interests.

It is desired that as full a representation as possible be present. A committee consisting of J. Q. Adams, of the *Bulletin*, Louisville, Ky., Dr. H. Fitzbutler, of the *Ohio Falls Express*, Louisville, and Edwin F. Horn, of *Our Weekly Age*, Evansville, Ind., are authorized to make all arrangements for the session.

By order of the chairman.

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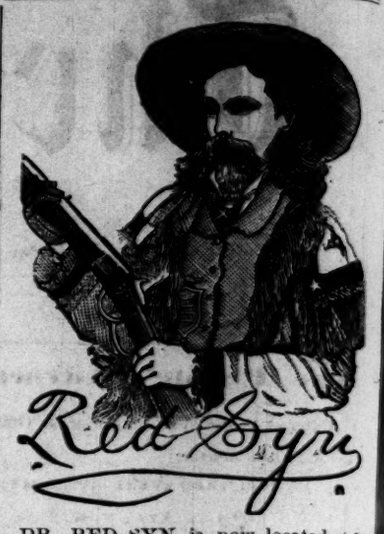

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LOCAL.

—Societies and Churches desiring local notices of their entertainments and other special exercises in order to ensure the same should send complimentary tickets.

—Prof. Inman E. Page, A. B. of Brown University, returned here with his family last week and left Monday morning for Providence, R. I., to attend the commencement of his *alma mater*. He is looking remarkably well and happy.

—The only perfect pupil in orthography in in any of the country schools was a colored boy in the school taught by Joseph H. Voorhees.

—C. J. Malord of Va., lately stationed at Dalton, Mass., passed through here on his way to Virginia. Charles says that the Republicans in Mass are well pleased with Garfield and will give him their hearty support.

—Mattie Lawrence left here Thursday morning for Cincinnati where she joins the Jubilee Singers. She leaves our midst greatly regretted. Many of her friend prevailed on her not to go, using among others the most ridiculous of reasons—"Oh! Mattie the idea of it" said one, "they might think you had been a slave, and that would be awful" so it would; but very few of the present colored people can afford to go back many generations without getting in the same predicament.

—Although a great many of our teachers have gone off on their annual vacation, our city is rapidly filling up with visitors from various sections which fills up the social gaps. Among the visitors we notice Rev. Dr. Blyden, D. D., L. L. D. of West Africa, Hon. Jonn H. Smythe, U. S. Minister to Liberia, Mr. and Mrs. Frith of Bermuda, W. I., Miss Wilder of Columbia S. C., Miss Ezekeil of S. C., Mr. Boxley of Albama. The Right Rev. Bishop Payne, and the newly elected Bishops Dickerson of the African M. E. church Hon. Robt. B. Elliott of S. C., Mrs. Fidler of Chillicothe, Ohio.

—The social event of next week in addition to the Tin wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Estern will be the marriage of Miss Octavia, the only daughter of Robt. Parker, Esq., of West P street to Dr. Fergurson of Richmond Va. The ceremony will take place at the residence of the bride's parents at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening next, a reception will fellow from 9 until mid-night. Great preparations are being made and the event is being looked forward to with great interest as Miss Parker is deservedly esteemed by a large circle of friends.

—The Sunday School Union of the District will hold their annual pic-nic at Van Ness Garden July 5th. Admission 10 cents.

—Prof. J. M. Gregory will deliver the Eulogy on the late Charles N. Otey, before Pioneer Sunday School Association Douglass hall Hillsdale, D. C., June 27th at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mr. Otey at the time of his death was an honorary member. You are invited. Solomon G. Brown, Superintendent.

—The Quarterly Review of Union Bethel A. M. E. Sunday Sunday will be held in the church on to-morrow Sunday evening at half past 7 o'clock, under the direction of the Superintenpent, T, H. Wright,

—Of the class of '78 we would like to know which of the following ladies are to be first led to the hymenial altar, Miss Mattie Bruce by Maxwell Bowler, Miss Eliza Wilson by Samuel Bryant, Miss Helene Ricks by Edward Hansbury or Miss Etta Moses by Daniel Stewart. Can any one tell us?

Special.

Dr. Edward W. Blyden of the Republic of Liberia, West Africa preaches at the 15th St. Presbyterian church to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

—A excursion party leaves here Monday July 5 for Great Falls. Parties desired to accompany them will please call on R. J. Jackson, Patent Office.

BALTIMORE NOTES.

REV. O. P. VINTON.

[Our occasional Baltimore correspondent P. E. N., furnishes us the following sketch of the late Rev. O. P. Vinton which will be interesting to many of our readers]—

It has been said that we mourn not every man who dies, Every one leaves not a great aching void, a gap which cannot be filled, but now and then like angel's visits (few and far between) there comes to us a life so radiant, a spirit so in unison with our own, a heart so loyal and true, a head so well balanced, that we look upon him as an elder brother we love and trust him, and when he dies, when borne upon the wings of angels into the confines of the unknown then each and all of us put our hands to our hearts, and they are still. Silence pervades our communities, and broods over every household because each feels that he has lost a friend, a brother and leader. Such is the case in our community at this time, the cause, the death of the Rev. Oliver Perry Vinton late assistant of St, Mary's, who fell asleep in Jesus at Pompert, Conn., on Tuesday last 15th inst in the 30th year of his age.

In the summer of 1876 Mr. Vinton came here to assist his cousin, the Rev. C. B. Perry in his labor of love among our people. In 1878 his health broke down from overwork, and he had to relinquish his labors and go South to recuperate, this also he never did; he has been a petient sufferer ever since until God called him from labor and pain, to reward and ease.

Few men in a life so brief (only 30) have accomplished so much good work, or gathered round them each heart of admiring friends.

"Not by the years of life is told
The length of life, but by the zeal
And kindly works, as growing old,
Men for each other do and feel."

"His life is long whose work is well
And be this station low or high,
He who the most good works can tell
Lives longest, though he soonest dies."

His remains were brought to Baltimore and interred amid imposing scenes, the remains having previously lain in state in the chape of St Mary's church.

The St. Paul Lyceum met at the usual place, with the newly elected president, Mr. W. T. McGuinn in chair.

The exercises were very interesting, consisting of presentations and a debate.

The first presentation was a handsome portraint of one of their corresponding members, viz:—S. G. Brown, Esq. The second consisted of a memorial in honor of one of their young male members, who died in 1879—Mr. P. F. Augustus. The president presented this in very fitting remarks.

The debate which lasted fully half an hour, was hotly contested. Both contestants did admirable well. No doubt a more instructive debate could have been presented. The Subject was:—Is St. Paul Lyceum a benefit to young People? The affirmative was defended by Mr. G. H. Page, and the negative by L. B. Holland. It was decided in favor of the affirmative. The negative did not get a vote.

The portrait was presented by the corresponding secretary, who made the following remarks:

Mr. president, ladies and gents:—I esteem this more than a pleasure to this august body the portrait of a gentlemen, philanthropist, scholar and a christian—S. G. Brown, Esq. All who have met or seen this gentleman, have been deeply impressed by his gentle manners. He suffers no one to be marred by his conversation. No one need desire to see a better drawist than he. There are some present who have witnessed his drawing abilities at our old place of meeting. His scholastic abilities have been displayed before this Lyceum both by his personal remarks and by his letters.

The numerous volumes, and epistles of interests, and his visits to us, the unretarding zeal he has in elevating his race, all go to show conclusively his philanthropic disposition. When this Lyceum was in its infancy, he was the first contributor and correspondent. When we were depressed as it were, both by foes within and without, he still continued to forward contributions and edifying letters. Truly it can be said of him—"A friend that stickest closer than a brother." In regard to his christian character, one need not question. Allow mo to refer your minds back to the time when I read a letter from him entitled, prayer. The manner in which he handled this subject, clearly demonstrates his gift of talents. His christian influence has been and is now being felt in the village in which he resides. Now Mr. President, I take great pleasure in presenting to this Lyceum, the portrait of one who has adhered to us from infancy:—S. G. Brown, clerk of Transportation, Smithsonian Institu Washington, D. C. Mr. D. D. Dickson, responded in appropriate remarks. LEN A.

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—The Union Enterprise Associrtion of the G. U. O. of O. F., gave their first excursion to Irving Park, on Monday, June 14th. It was a success in every particular. No disturbance of any consequence reported. The different lodges which partinipated deserved much credit for the manner in which they presented themselves. During their stay at the Park, the several lodges were addressed by the following distinguished brethren of the order—Z. Sharper, D. Augustus of Wilmington, Del., J. S. Brown, A. Reed and S. S. Servent. Prof. Jonnson's music rendered some of their select pieces. P. G. M., H. Wilson was marshal on the occasion.

LENA.

IND.

—Mr. W. N. Curry has been elected to represent his lodge at A. M. C., to it in Richmond, Virginia.—*Our Age*, Evansville, Ind.

MISS.

—The Odd Fellows of Mississipi working under the jurisdiction of the G. U. O. of O. F. of England, will have a re-union in this city on Monday, June 28th, 188. A large gathering of the fraternity is expcted.

—O. L. Garrets, of Pride of Life Lodge, Canton, and J. E. Haynes, of Summit Lodge, Summit, have been elected delgates to the A. M. C.

LA.

—Gen. T. Morris Chester, P. G. M., has been elected a delegate to the A. M. C. from the Pride of Louisiana Lodge.

OHIO.

—On last Thursday, the 10th the Odd Fellows of Cleveland had a grand parade, and in the evening gave a grand banquet. Both were successes, particularly the parade, lodges from Oberlin, Pittsburg and Springfield participated in the parade. These, together with the two there, made quite a fine appearance. The Patriarchs with their new uniforms, attracted the most attention. Before all these, marched the Excelsior Band and the Brass Band with their larg bearskin hats and in full dress uniform. It was one of the grandest processions, if not the grandest, that the colored people of Cleveland have ever had the pleasure of treating to the public. Quite a number of pole gathered at the hall in the evening to enjoy themselves; and they were not disappointed either. After supper, which was a grand affair, came the speaking. Speeches were made by several lodges, and there was some very good speaking. This over, the floor was clear and the dancing commenced, and we kept up until a late hour. Music was finished by McAfee's orchestra.—*Leader*

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